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EMPLOYMENT TO WOMEN UNDER JGSY
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that guidelines of Jawahar Gram Samridhi Yojna envisage 30 per cent of the employment opportunities to be reserved for women;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the employment provided to women under the scheme was less than the prescribed ratio during the last three years and the current year;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor;

(e) the number of women provided jobs under the scheme during the said period alongwith the target set and achieved under the scheme, State-wise and year-wise; and

(f) the steps taken by the Government to ensure that the women get job as per the laid down percentage?

Answer

MINSTER OF STATE FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNASAHEB M. K. PATIL)

(a) & (b) Yes Sir. The Jawahar Gram Samridhi Yojana (JGSY) was launched on 1st April,1999 with the primary objective of creation of community village infrastructure. Generation of supplementary employment for the unemployed poor in the rural areas is its secondary objective. The Guidelines of the scheme envisage reservation of 30% of the employment opportunities for women. The scheme is being implemented through the village Panchayats. A new scheme Sampoorn Grameen Rozgar Yojana(SGRY) has since been launched w.e.f.25th September,2001 by merging the JGSY and the Employment Assurance Scheme.

(c) & (d) Due to socio-economic reasons, the prescribed ratio could not be achieved in some States.

(e) & (f) JGSY being an infrastructure development programme, no targets for employment generation are set. However, the State wise details of total mandays generated and employment generation for the women from the inception of the scheme i.e. 1999-2000 are given in the Annexure. For effective implementation of the programme, Vigilance & Monitoring Committees are constituted at the State, District and Block levels. The progress of the implementation is also monitored by the Ministry through the periodic reports and field visits by the Area Officers.